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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**COMPUTER HACKER SENTENCED  
TO SERVE 15 MONTHS**

**PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CLYDE HARRELSON, JR., 53, Floyds Knobs, Indiana, was sentenced to 15 months imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge John Daniel Tinder following his guilty plea to computer intrusion. This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

HARRELSON was employed by a national life insurance company in its Louisville, Kentucky office as a data transmission analyst. He was terminated in May 2004 after disputes with the company over assignments and evaluations. Between July 2004 and April 2005 HARRELSON made unauthorized access to the company's files on 98 occasions and downloaded information including customer data.

The company discovered the intrusions and reported them to the FBI. The company also notified all customers whose personal data had been obtained. The FBI recovered discs containing the data during a search of HARRELSON's residence in June 2005. There was no evidence that the data had been transmitted to any other person or used in any way.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Christina McKee, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Tinder also imposed three years supervised release following HARRELSON's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, HARRELSON may have access to computers only with the permission of the supervising probation officer. HARRELSON, JR. was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$365,161,50, which amount represents the cost to the company of notifying victims of the intrusion and taking corrective action in its computer software.

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